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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is a patent application claiming priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) of Provisional Application No. 60/457,319 filed on March 26, 2003.

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For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR NON-DESTRUCTIVE INSPECTION OF MATERIAL IN CONTAINERS

Enclosed are:

- ☒ A specification consisting of ten (10) pages
- ☒ Two (2) sheets of formal drawings
- ☒ An assignment of the invention
- ☒ Executed Declaration (☒ Original ☐ Photocopy)
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.
- ☒ Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and reference(s)

- ☐ Applicant requests early publication - \$300.00 publication fee
- ☐ Non-publication Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(i)
- ☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

--This application claims priority on provisional Application No. 60/457,319 filed on March 26, 2003, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference.--

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